



AMENDMENT



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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In the claims:

Please amend the following:

23. (Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the catalyst formed by said process is used for the oxidation of carbon monoxide.

24. (Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the catalyst formed by said process is used for the oxidation of volatile organic compounds.

REMARKS

The office action dated March 5, 2002 has been carefully reviewed and the application has been amended, and an affidavit has been supplied, in a sincere effort to place the same in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application, and allowance of the application in its amended form are requested based on the following remarks.

Applicant retains the right to pursue broader claims via a continuing application under 35 U.S.C. 120.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph:

Claims 23-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Specifically, the Examiner states:

The claims respectively recite "the process of claim 1, wherein said process is used for the oxidation of carbon monoxide" and "the process of claim 1, wherein said process is used for the oxidation of volatile organic compounds."

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